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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Ioannis Pallikaris et al.

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For: Device for Separating the Epithelium Layer from the Surface of the Cornea of an Eye

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Examiner: Vi X Nguyen

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**FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

<b>DOCUMENT NUMBER</b> <small>Number-kind Code (if known)</small>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>
6,203,555 B1	March 20, 2001	Amano
5,658,303	August 19, 1997	Koepnick
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>		
<b>DOCUMENT NUMBER</b> <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>
JP 2000 245766	September 12, 2000	Japan

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of

the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicant has calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

January 24, 2008

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